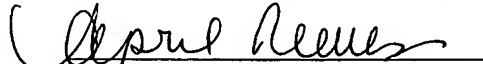




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This paper is in response to a Final Office Action dated November 15, 2005 and an Advisory Action dated December 23, 2005, and is filed concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination. Also filed herewith is a Petition for a two-month Extension of Time and appropriate fee, making a response due on or before April 15, 2006. Accordingly, the Response and Request for Continued Examination are timely filed.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper

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